

REMARKS

The claims of the instant application have been amended to overcome the prior art rejections based primarily upon Atkinson. Specifically, the claims of the instant application have been amended more clearly define the instant invention as monitoring and controlling individual or discrete components of a computer or processor system. More specifically, the instant invention includes limitations requiring the detecting of at least two parameters of each individual component of a computer or processor system, in which at least one of the individual components being monitored is ancillary to a processor. Such a limitation is neither taught nor disclosed in the prior art of record. To the contrary, Atkinson is only capable of monitoring and controlling the computer system as a whole (i.e. measure temperature from a single location in the entire computer system and turn on a fan that cools the entire computer) and does not monitor multiple parameters of individual components. Assuming arguendo that Atkinson's knowing whether a fan is on or off or controlling speed adjustments constitutes "monitoring", as is asserted by the Examiner, such "monitoring" would only be of a single parameter (i.e. the parameter fan speed = off, low, med, high, etc.). The monitoring of multiple parameters of an individual component allows the instant invention to monitor and control each component on an individual basis to avoid damage to that component. Alternatively, the monitoring of the single parameter of a component, such as the speed of a fan, does not allow the same level of protection from damage.

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Reconsideration of the application as amended respectfully is requested. The foregoing amendment and remarks are believed to be responsive to every matter raised in the office action. If, however, some matter has been overlooked, an opportunity to correct the oversight would be appreciated.

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